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All issues relate to exemplary Claim 1:

"data storage that is accessible only to a client computer."

This feature is rejected under 112. However, this feature is supported, inter alia, on page 12, lines 21-26, since the user must enter a password to access the data storage via a GUI on "display 32 using GUI application 40, shown in Figures 3 and 4, respectively, for the user's password 22 that will unlock that user's keyfile 24 containing the user's digital certificate and private key found in authentication data 42 as described in Figure 4." That is, only a local input that is physically input at the client computer will be accepted by the client computer, and thus the data storage is accessible only to the client computer.

Sasaki teaches in Figure 3, and col 5, lines 40-45, that the CPU in the client computer is to "determine whether the input user ID and password accords with a registered user ID and password." However, there is no teaching or suggestion of the limitation that the data storage is accessible only to the client computer.

Thus, this feature is supported by the specification, and does not appear to be taught or suggested by the cited art.

2. "each of said passwords being capable of opening only one of said keyfiles"

This feature is also rejected under 112. However, this feature is supported, inter alia, on page 12 line 8, in which "Each of the multiple users has a unique keyfile 24." As stated on page 10, lines 10-12, the "user identified by user identifier 15a ("User ID 1") enters password 22a ("Password1") to open keyfile 24a ("Keyfile 1").

Thus each of the passwords is "capable of opening only one of said keyfiles," such that "in response to receiving one of said passwords input from the specific user, opening said one of said keyfiles associated with said one of said passwords and said specific user."

Thus, this feature is supported by the specification, and is not taught or suggested by the cited art.

3. "storing a plurality of keyfiles for different users" and "in response to receiving one of said passwords input from the specific user, opening said one of said keyfiles associated with said one of said passwords and said specific user" (i.e., each of the keyfiles are password protected for a specific user).

This feature is supported, inter alia, by Figure 4 and the related text.

While Wrench teaches that a private key may be password protected (paragraph [0028]), there is no suggestion of storing a different keyfile for each of a plurality of different users. Similarly, while Sasaki teaches that a password and ID checker (user authentication unit 2) may check to see if a password and ID are correct for opening a file, there is no suggestion of multiple "users" having different "keyfiles."

Thus, this feature is not taught or suggested by the cited art.